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WE HEAR?

Many of our local citizens took in the ice cycles this past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ed Ohlhauser, Mr. and Mrs. Earl Ohlhauser and Allen motored to Edmonton on Sunday and returned Monday evening.

Mrs. Ruby Mortimer and daughters, Linda and Sharon, left on Saturday to make their home in Calgary.

Mr. and Mrs. Hunt and Howard, Mr. and Mrs. Gordon Hunt, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Poole, Francis and Patsy, Mr. and Mrs. Waldron, Mr. and Mrs. C. Cave, Mr. Lindsay Hay attended the Nadasdi-Topolonsky wedding in Drumheller Saturday.

Mrs. J. Atkinson and daughter Shiela were Calgary visitors on Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Cave and Mr. and Mrs. George Appleyard were Calgary visitors on Friday.

Jimmy Graham and Jerry Davies have joined the R.C.A.F. and left for St. John's, Quebec.

Mr. and Mrs. Stan Manchell of Calgary were visiting at the home of Mrs. Atkinson, Sr. over the weekend.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wolfer of Medicine Hat were visiting at the homes of their daughters Shirley Gimbel and Glenda and sons-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hawkins. This was followed by Dieke and Mr. and Mrs. Theo Harsch.

Mr. and Mrs. Torrance were Calgary visitors this week.

Mrs. Bushby's rink took in the Ladies' Bonspiel at Swalwell last week. Mrs. Ried, Mrs. J. Dieke and Mrs. I. Schmidt.

A shower in honor of Miss Eunice Gillespie, a bride-elect, was held recently at the home of Mrs. S.J. Garrett with Mrs. R. Garrett and Mrs. Phyllis Bramley as co-hostesses. Contests and Bingo games were played. Winners of contests were Mrs. Iris Shaw and Mrs. S. Hay. The guest of honor was presented with many beautiful gifts from a decorated wagon drawn by

at the homes of their daughters Shirley Gimbel and Glenda and sons-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. J. Hawkins. This was followed by Dieke and Mr. and Mrs. Theo Harsch.

Swalwell

Swalwell Curling Club Bonspiel Dance will be held Feb. 22.

Miss Betty Esau was a weekend visitor at the home of her sister, Mrs. Ernest Loewen.

Mr. Ted Walker was home for the weekend from the University where he is studying Medicine.

Swalwell was well represented at the Calgary Men's Bonspiel by Messrs. Lammle, Paget, Goerlitz and Paget who came home with the 3rd prize in the Ontario Laundry Competition.

The ladies weren't left behind either. Mrs. Dave Gibson, Mrs. Olga Tutt, Mrs. P. Woodland and Mrs. Bill Waldron took a first in the Trochu Ladies' Bonspiel last week.

We are pleased to welcome some newcomers to the village. Mr. Henry Jensen and family and Mr. Jensen's mother have recently arrived from Germany to take up residence with Mr. Jensen's brother, Dave.

Our humblest apologies for being late with this issue of the Carbon Chronicle. We have had some trouble with our press, and since our last issue we have installed the press that was in the Carbon Printing Office. We expect we'll be able to give you better service in the future.

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Fears Wide Spoilage Of Damp Grain

SASKATOON—Commissioner Jack Vallance of the board of grain commissioners says he is convinced that much of the damp grain from last year's crop will spoil in the spring. He said in a panel discussion on grain drying that the problem is too big for the farmers, the province or the federal authorities.

The only grain moving to the lakehead now was damp grain and some of it contained as much as 25 per cent. moisture. The lakehead driers have to reduce this to 14.5 per cent. Farm grain drying required a technique that the farmer for the most part lacks.

The commissioner said he could see no store by the commercial grain driers on the market. It was up to the individual farmer to do whatever he could to dry his own grain before spring.

Edmonton To See Women's Golf Championship

EDMONTON.—The 1952 Canadian Women's golf championships will begin at the Mayfair Golf and Country club, Edmonton, Aug. 7.

Dates for the various events were announced by the Edmonton executives of the Canadian Ladies Golf union.

The Canadian closed tournament will be held Aug. 7-9 and the open Aug. 11-16. The interprovincial team matches will be played Aug. 7 and 8.

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Funny and Otherwise

Mable: "I told him not to let me catch him with any of the other seven."

He was an enthusiastic but unsuccessful dancer, and a really clever dancer had the misfortune to have him for a partner.

"I wish I were in your shoes," he said, admiringly, as he blundered around the ballroom with the girl.

"Perhaps so!" she retorted, icily. "But do stop trying to get into them now."

He: "I get down on my knees and die for you."

She: "Would you stand on your feet and work for me?"

The class took the afternoon off to visit the town reservoir. The following day the teacher instructed them to write an essay on "An Interesting Place I Visited Over the Weekend."

The class was very busy for some time, then a little girl raised her hand. "Miss Finch," she asked, "is waterworks all one word or do you spell it with a hydrant?"

"My wife thinks she should have a washing-up machine."

"You're lucky. Mine thinks she married one."

The collegian wasn't so far out when he answered a question on his examination paper by saying: "Hockey is a fall game."

Dollar sign: A capital S that has been double-crossed.

He: "You think more of your dog than you do of me."

She: "Well, the dog growls less."

Mabel: "Jack told me I was the eighth wonder of the world."

Eleanor: "And what did you say?"

Scarcely had the expert taken his departure, after a successful first lesson, when a loud double knock was heard at the front door.

"Who was that, Mary?" the woman inquired of her maid.

"Oh, if you please, ma'am," said Mary, "it was the memory man; he forgot his umbrella."

Do You Know That...

The average weight of a man's brain is 48 ounces, and that of a woman is 43. This, of course, is no indication that the male species are smarter than the female.

The Annual Meeting of Shareholders The Royal Bank of Canada

Industrial Development and Freer Trade can be Achieved Together Says President

Suggests long range programme to speed process and bring prices closer to U.S. levels. Sees danger in large budget surplus... "Reward saving, penalize spending."

Need for a free and flexible economy to meet the challenge of inflation and foster the long range development of Canada, was the keynote of the annual address of James Muir, President, at the Annual General Meeting of Shareholders of The Royal Bank of Canada. Inflation, he said, was still a major problem, and he doubted the effectiveness of high taxes as a curb on either private or corporate spending. Nor did he consider the unexpected budget surplus of \$635,000,000 a reason for complacency; it could become an inflationary "time bomb" unless rendered inert by being impounded as a deposit in the Central Bank or used to retire Government debt held by the Bank of Canada.

"By itself," said Mr. Muir, "this unplanned surplus is neither an effective check to inflation nor a reason for complacency and self-congratulation. The danger here is that the Government with its increased surplus and the public with its increased savings are better able than ever to increase expenditure in the future."

"I do not think we need worry too much about the private individual dissipating his savings and so adding to the inflationary pressure. Nevertheless, he should receive every encouragement to add to rather than spend what he has accumulated. Unfortunately, experience does not point in quite the same direction regarding the Government's surplus. This surplus, induced as it is by increased taxes, perhaps designed to check inflation, actually becomes an inflationary time bomb unless it is rendered inert by impounding it as a deposit in the Central Bank or by using it to retire Government debt held by the Central Bank."

FLEXIBILITY NEEDED

"The ability of our economy to sustain the shock of adjustment to the economic needs of the defence programme depends in large measure upon increased flexibility. By flexibility, we mean in the most general way the ability of prices, interest rates, and exchange rates to adjust to changing economic conditions. An example of this flexibility is the Government's interest rate policy of the last year or so. Higher interest rates reduce inflationary pressure in two ways: first, they curtail the unwarranted expansion of credit; and second, they encourage thrift by making saving more remunerative."

"Another example of what we have in mind is the freeing of the Canadian dollar in September, 1950. The removal of import restrictions of January 1, 1951, carried the process another step forward. The success of this exchange policy is shown by the strength of the Canadian dollar in the face of a large trade and service deficit. The so-called 'hot' money that came into Canada during the summer of 1950 has been effectively cooled off. Indeed, we have seen a significant inflow of stable investment capital into Canada throughout 1951. Moreover, the basic strength of the Canadian dollar has been such that the Government in December, 1951, removed all remaining exchange control, and so restored to the traditional channels of private finance complete freedom in the field of foreign exchange."

"All in all, the free economy in the western democracies has gained on balance during 1951. We have seen the urgent demand of the defence economy superimposed on an economy already strained by the effort to reconstruct a war torn world. It should be a source of comfort in these trying times that our advance towards military strength has not required a wholesale retreat into controls. Indeed, we have managed to gain in military strength and at the same time to achieve a fuller measure of flexibility in our economy. Our satisfaction should not make us complacent. But, barring the final tragedy of large-scale war, we can hope through right policy to continue our advance towards the twin goals of economic as well as political freedom."

"Economic development means (1) that Canada's population must expand at a rate possible only with large immigration; (2) that her capital investment must continue for a long period to be a large proportion of her national income, and (3) that outside capital must have confidence in a government policy of just and equal treatment. Economic development means anything but a quiet life for workers, businessmen, and government officials."

FREER TRADE

"The need for adjustment would not be so great in the long run if we were content (which we must not be) to continue as a producer of primary products for final manufacture elsewhere. On the other hand, the use of

HEAVIER TAXES NOT EFFECTIVE AS SPENDING CURB

The real test of tax policy to combat inflation is whether or not that policy penalizes spending and rewards saving. With this in mind one must recognize that a whole multitude of the spending public are not even touched by the more drastic of the additional imposts. In contrast, a large segment of the fixed wage and salary group has been hit and hit again. That is, of course, unfortunate in itself, on grounds of strict equity. But the real question is, "How much of the increase in taxes on this group in the last half of 1951 came out of savings, the less the effect on inflationary pressure."

Corporations were even harder hit in the 1951 budget. But again the real question is not, "Is this fair?" but "Did the new corporate taxes penalize spending and reward saving?" To this question, the answer is simply, "No." Human nature being what it is, heavy corporate taxes tend to increase spending by corporations because the Government is paying a correspondingly large part of the shot.

The increase in federal excise and sales taxes is unpleasant, but these taxes do hit the spender where it hurts. Unfortunately he does not know what is hitting him. Why? Because the taxes are levied at the manufacturing level, passed on plus mark-up at various points from there on, and finally concealed in the retail price. The system is, therefore, inefficient: for it takes out of the consumer's pocket much more than it yields to the Government in revenue. But, worse still, the purchaser sees the whole increase in price not as a tax, but as a rise in the cost of living and a reason for demanding higher wages for his work or a higher price for his product."

A further aggravation is that provincial and municipal sales taxes, levied on the retail price, obviously become in part a tax on taxes. This is bad in principle, and, as we have seen, it lacks even the virtue of expediency: in the fight on inflation the federal tax is ineffective because concealed. It is unfortunate that in 1951 this slap at spending had to be administered with an anaesthetic.

the tariff or other device to force Canadians to buy home-manufactured goods merely reintroduces some of the inflexibility we have been trying to avoid. Whatever one may think of protection as a means to economic development, it is true that our position next to the United States makes a high tariff both a cause for discontent and a temptation to break the law. The alternative, competition with U.S. industries enjoying the low costs of a large mass market, might seem at first glance (at least in the opinion of many) to rule out a diversified industrial economy for Canada.

"Now the dilemma I have posed is a serious one, particularly in the immediate future; but I believe it can be resolved. Indeed the problem may appear bigger than it really is; for tariff protection tends both to retard and to conceal the true efficiency of a nation's industry."

"At this point I wish to make it clear that in the remarks I am about to make I take no position in the political controversy so long associated with our tariff policy. What I shall try to do is to discuss the economic problems involved."

"There is little doubt in my mind that Canada can achieve both industrial development and freer trade. Our problem is to hasten the process. Our first step should be a long-run programme to reduce or abolish excise and sales taxes at the manufacturer's level, thereby reducing the disparity between prices to the consumer in Canada and to the consumer in the United States. The result will be a more rational price and tax structure for the developing Canadian economy."

"Our second step should be another long-run programme to get reciprocal concessions in trade, particularly from our nearest neighbor, the United States."

"Moreover, both steps in the suggested programme would reduce the present disparity between prices on a wide variety of articles to the consumer in Canada and to the consumer in the United States. This is not only good in itself but may give some assurance at least that our trained and talented young people will not be tempted away, but will seek their

General Manager Reports Assets Over \$2.5 Billions

T. H. Atkinson, General Manager, in reviewing the bank's 1951 report stated that total assets of The Royal Bank of Canada has now reached the imposing total of \$2,515,645,208. This, he said, was a new high mark in Canadian banking history and a figure which would undoubtedly be noted throughout the financial world.

Deposits likewise had reached record totals, said Mr. Atkinson. "Apart from government balances which, as previously mentioned, are lower by some \$46,000,000, interest-bearing deposits have increased \$19,805,000, to \$1,123,723,000 and non-interest bearing deposits are up \$39,694,000 and now stand at \$1,085,717,000. The balances in both categories constitute new records. We are particularly pleased that the number of deposit accounts on the books of the bank increased over 100,000 during the year and now exceed 2,100,000."

Mr. Atkinson reported profits for the year had increased \$1,137,926 although this had been somewhat more than counterbalanced by increased taxes. After providing for taxes, depreciation and dividends, including an additional dividend of \$700,000 (at the rate of 20c per share) the bank transferred two million dollars to the Reserve Fund and carried forward \$1,026,153.

The bank's programme of improvement to branches, which has gone on steadily since the end of the war, continued during the year to provide the public and staff with modern, up-to-date facilities and surroundings. Branches in operation on November 30th totalled 761, of which 62 were located in countries outside of Canada.

Royal Bank's Unique Service

Mr. Atkinson noted that Canada is today one of the foremost trading nations of the world and he paid a tribute to the Government departments responsible for developing new markets for Canadian producers. Without world-wide banking facilities, however, Canadian traders would be seriously handicapped, he said. The Royal Bank of Canada was in a unique position to provide such service because of its 62 branches in the Caribbean area, Central and South America and its direct representation in London, England, New York and Paris.

"We have, of course, world-wide relations with correspondent banks in all countries where we have no branches and from these sources obtain information and reports on conditions and commercial regulations which are of inestimable value to our trading clients," said Mr. Atkinson, "but based on over 50 years of operations abroad and wide experience in foreign fields, we are firmly convinced there is no really adequate substitute in any business for direct representation by the organization itself. Experience with trading customs and intimate knowledge of local practices in the many countries where we operate, coupled with the close liaison which exists between our representatives abroad, both direct and correspondent, and our Head Office Foreign Departments, places us in a position which enables our bank to provide facilities for clients and others directly interested in international trade which otherwise would not be available."

PRaise for Staff

"It is always a pleasure to conclude my remarks to you with an enthusiastic tribute to the members of our staff. The success of any company or institution must of necessity bear a direct relation to the degree of efficiency of its personnel but this is particularly true of a bank where the things we sell are service and friendliness. The friendly approach is traditional with our staff and service beyond the call of duty is the rule rather than the exception. The staff of the bank numbers 12,400, in addition to which we employ approximately 1,200 people in other capacities, or a total of over 13,600. Their loyalty and enthusiasm for the bank are most heartening to the Executive and it is proven daily by the reports we receive in Head Office from clients across the country. The gratifying report before you today is a logical outcome of this fine service and to the staff I wish to say a sincere "thanks" on behalf of the management as well as the shareholders. Whatever may be in store in the year just beginning, I am confident the staff will meet the situation with efficiency, loyalty and enthusiasm."

fortunes in their native land and contribute to its development and progress."

"No one with faith in Canada's future will deny that, given time, all these difficulties of our economic development will be triumphantly overcome."

"If we Canadians will become fired with pride of country—become fully conscious of our tremendous material endowment—face our task with imagination, initiative and courage, and apply hard work; we can make the next few decades by far the greatest age yet in Canada's economic history."

Moderns Make Rain With Silver Iodide Ancients Used More Interesting Methods!

By JERRY KLEIN
(CPC Correspondent)

WASHINGTON.—After years of scientific investigation, a patent has been granted on a method of producing rain by pelting clouds with dry ice or silver iodide. The patent was granted Vincent J. Schaefer, research scientist for a U.S. firm which was assigned the patent rights.

Schaefer, whose formal education ended when he finished two years of high school, says he's found that silver iodide "has proved more effective . . . than the rainmaking materials nature uses, such as certain loams, sands, dusts and spore."

Schaefer also says that making artificial rain would decrease the "sudden, severe thunderstorms and hailstorms" that often accompany natural precipitation.

However, the rain-maker admits it is important to consider "the mud-died streams and eroded farm lands left in the wake of a torrential rain and the bruised fruit or smashed vegetables following an intense hailstorm."

Many scientists warn against tinkering with nature's rain machinery, claiming that mad-made rain can't change the climate but it can be dangerous.

Since man turned rain-maker recently, there have been some freak floods. Observers have been cautious in blaming the damage on rain-makers.

However, one top U.S. scientist, Dr. Irving Langmuir, has said rain-makers may be responsible for recent floods in Winnipeg, Canada; Colorado and the Mississippi valley. (More than 100,000 residents had to be evacuated when heavy rains fell on Winnipeg.)

Maybe modern rain-making is more efficient, but there are some who hanker for the old ways of producing rain. Women often were the rain-makers and their methods were really something to see. Apparently, the gals figured the rain god would be kinder if they removed their clothes.

So a young woman in Serbia, for example, would strip, put some flowers in her hair and invite rain by dancing nude through the drought-ridden village.

In Romania, a naked gypsy maid went from house to house singing about the need for a downpour. She got one, too. At every house, it was the custom to throw a bucket of water on the shivering girl.

The ladies of the Solok area of Sumatra had a different scheme. They used to remove their clothes, drag a man to a river, and toss him in.

Men were not allowed to see the Baronga women of Africa when they were in a rain-making mood, however. The women would walk around town dressed only in grass hats, singing songs and cleaning out the dried-up wells. A man who peaked was thrashed.

In some Polish communities, the females would get into their birthday

suits at night, go to the outskirts of town and pour water on the ground to make it rain.

Some sections of Russia and India made rain by requiring the women to pull plows over the parched fields. This ceremony was called "plowing the rain."

A Hindu woman used to have her body painted as part of her rain-making method. Then she'd take off her clothes and stand facing the wind, until the rains came.

The natives of Mabulag Island near Australia apparently realized it takes a woman to do a good job of rain-making, but sometimes they'd try to fool the celestial water department. The medicine man, before going into

his rain-making act, would paint himself up and put on female garb.

The Telegu Indians also realized the influence an unclad female has on the rain god. They used to strip a girl and send her into the fields waving a burning piece of wood. They did this not to get more rain, however, but to stop the downpour.

Apparently, the Telegu theory was that when the water god got a look at the unclad maiden, he'd be distracted and forget all about dispatching any more rain-clouds.

None of these rain-making methods required any patent—and who could be so gross as to sue a lovely lady if her rain-making produced an occasional flood?



Complete with Snakes, Dancing Indians Woo the Rain God
—Central Press Canadian.

GEMS OF THOUGHT

CHILDREN

Children have more need of models than of critics.—Joseph Joubert.

Beloved children, the world has need of you;—and more as children than as men and women; it needs your innocence, unselfishness, faithful affection, uncontaminated lives.

—Mary Baker Eddy.

Whosoever therefore shall humble himself as this little child, the same is greatest in the kingdom of heaven.

—Christ Jesus.

When parents spoil their children, it is less to please them than to please themselves. It is the egotism of parental love.—Thomas Carlyle.

The new cult of self-expression is all wrong. There is but one expression and that is the right to do right.

—Dr. Abba Hillel Silver.

Give a little love to a child, and you get a great deal back.—John Ruskin.

English Student Gets Thrill On "Blind Date"

STATE COLLEGE, Pa. — For weeks the boys of Delta Chi fraternity kidded Derek Turnbull about the group's annual dance at Penn State college and the "blind date" they had arranged for him.

But the 27-year-old Englishman only replied grumpily that the date he would like would be his 24-year-old fiancée, Gladys Robson, who lives in Wardley, England.

At the dance he was pinching himself to make sure it was true. His fiancée was his "blind date."

His fraternity brothers had chipped in and paid nearly \$1,000 to bring Miss Robson out from England for the dance.

Use of aniline, derived from coal tar, for dyes was discovered in 1856 by William Henry Perkin, an English student.

On The Side : E. V. Durling

Impressions

"Receptionist requires husband. Is experienced, attractive blonde. Makes excellent first impression. Married five times." That advertisement appeared in a New York publication several months ago. I commented on it at that time. Now I have seen it referred to again. Note that the five-time married blonde says "makes excellent first impression." A significant statement. In acquiring a husband the first impression is important. But in keeping him it is, of course, the second impression that counts.

"Anything He Can Do . . ."

The greatest of escapologists was, of course, Houdini. His brother who was billed as "Hardeen" was good, too. But have you ever seen a feminine escapologist? A female Houdini? There is one named Marion Murray, who is reported to be very clever. Recently Marion was confined in a cell locked with 11 different types of locks. She effected an escape in one minute and a half. Yes, sir, she broke through those 11 locks in 90 seconds. I don't believe even Houdini ever did any better than that.

The Finnish Way

In Helsinki, Finland, motorists convicted of drunk driving are put to work with pick and shovel to aid in the construction of the buildings for next year's Olympic Games. A great idea. If the inebriated motorists in this country were forced to sweat out ten days or so in hard labor, there might be a sharp decrease in highway fatalities.

Advertising Medium

In Bali you can tell whether a young woman is married, engaged or looking for a boy friend by the way she does her hair. That's quite a system. Suppose they had that here. Imagine the interest of male passersby in a blonde featuring a "looking for a boy friend" hair-do. Most of the females in Bali are reported beautiful. Also when married the women do most of the hard work. There is said to be a shortage of men there now. So be careful lady. Be kind to your husband or he may take it in his mind to fly down to Bali. The way planes travel nowadays no place is very far.

Biggest Fish Uncaught

The richest man in the world is a bachelor. An eligible bachelor. A good-looking bachelor of forty-four years of age. Am referring to Dr. John Thorburn Williamson, diamond mine owner of Tanganyika, East Africa. I mentioned this fellow before, but at that time he was not rated the richest man in the world. His diamond properties are said to be capable of producing sixteen million dollars worth of diamonds annually. Dr. Williamson is not opposed to matrimony. Says so far he has just been too busy to give marriage the attention it deserves. He receives an average of two hundred letters a day from eager females all over the world proposing marriage. These he does not answer. So if any of our feminine subscribers feel they would like to marry Dr. Williamson, about the only thing they can do is to fly down to East Africa and try to charm him into submission.

Italian Scientist Predicts Grim World Future

Cataclysm More Terrible Than Biblical Flood Will Convulse Earth 569 Years From Now

FAENZA, Italy.—A cataclysm more terrible than the Biblical flood will convulse the earth 569 years from now, according to Raffaele Bendani, 56-year-old Italian scientist.

Bendani says he has discovered four new major planets and is able to predict when earthquakes will occur.

He is convinced that it was his four planets which, when last aligned to bring their maximum combined force to bear on the earth, caused the disappearance of Atlantis 10,431 years before Christ. An enormous catastrophe, identified by some as the Biblical flood, is said to have buried this legendary land beneath the Atlantic ocean.

Bendani himself, however, attributes the flood to a less violent combination of planetary forces in 2,687 B.C.

He says that the next serious alignment of the planets is calculated to cause a world cataclysm on or about April 6, 2,521.

They are already causing earthquakes, he says, although these are nothing compared with the havoc they have wreaked in the past, and will wreak again, as they spin towards earth.

The name of Bendani has become almost a household word in northern Italy. But orthodox Italian scientists treat him either scornfully or condescendingly.

A self-taught seismographer who builds his own equipment, this genial little man has never seen any of his "own" planets because the doors of Italian observatories are closed to him and he has no optical telescope of his own.

Working back into history, he shows a visitor scores of diagrams illustrating the decisive position of the heavenly bodies at the time of the world's greatest calamities—from the destruction of Pompeii in August 79 A.D. to the Lisbon earthquake at the beginning of September. Ten days later, Sept. 1, strong earth tremors shook Ancona, causing death and damage.

From his one-man observatory in a quiet street of Faenza, Bendani continues to issue bulletins forecasting earthquakes or spells of bad weather—sometimes with disconcerting accuracy.

Few deny that Bendani can compete with the best official observatories in recording earth tremors, but his method of predicting is all his own.

His fundamental theory, which led him to claim discovery of the four new planets, is that the moon causes earthquakes as well as tides when its "drag" on the earth coincides with similar planetary influence.

By orthodox methods, he early began to calculate when and where the moon and the eight known major planets would exert their greatest combined pull on the earth's crust. He would then foretell a "telluric tide," or earthquake, for that time in that area.

But certain "inexplicable" tremors set him wondering—and devising new instruments to record the influence of



TRIES IN VAIN TO SAVE TOTS

Mrs. Frank Amos arrived in Windsor, Ont., recently bringing her two children with her from England. While she watched them play on Lake St. Clair, the ice crumbled and both disappeared. She dove into the water but was unable to pull them to safety. Both Terry, three, and Sheila, four, died.—Central Press Canadian.

Result—No Honeymoon

MEDELLIN, Colombia. — In this South American town, a bride-to-be was entertaining guests on the eve of her wedding recently, when a masked gunman entered the house unseen by guests and forced the girl into her bedroom, where he robbed her of a large sum of money hidden in a bureau drawer. The girl pleaded with the robber to leave via the garage, so as not to cause a scandal if guests saw him stealthily sneaking out of her bedroom. The gunman agreed and went through a door she opened. It led to another room instead of to the garage. The girl locked the door and summoned guests, who ripped the mask from the trapped intruder. The gunman was the bridegroom-to-be.

STANDARD BRIDGE

By M. Harrison-Gray

Dealer: North

Game all

N. ♠ K Q J 10 8 7 3
A K 9
Q J 10

W. ♠ A 9 6 2
10 9 7 5
6 5 3 2
7

E. ♠ 4
8 6 4 3
A 9 7
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A double tragedy from a teams-of-four match. The first North player, with game in his own hand, made the fatal mistake of opening Two Clubs. South assumed that he had five quick tricks and ended up in Six No-Trumps.

In Room 2, North correctly opened Two Spades, intending to bid Four Spades over a negative Two No-Trumps. South jumped to Four Clubs to show a solid suit, and bought the final contract in Five Clubs. West led ♠ 10, and ♠ 5 was discarded on dummy's third Heart. ♠ K followed. South discarding ♠ 4 instead of trumping—a terrible effort, for West won and shifted to a Diamond. South was now unable to pick up East's ♠ 10 and went one down.

planets. His investigating with these led him to the "discovery" of his new planets.

One of the world's largest drydocks is at Esquimalt, B.C.

WHO KNOWS? HE MAY BE A BRONCO BUSTER!



—Marcus, in The New York Times.

CANADIAN FASHIONS



GREY LINEN TWEED is introduced for spring in the town costume shown above. The slender side wrapped dress and fitted jacket are outlined with grey satin banding.

Italian Doctor
Claims Cure
For Cancer

World News In Pictures

Egyptian Youth
Practising "Strong
Arm" Techniques

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No Horse Laughs Here



Maud and Bill huff and puff to get out of a bitter cold bath they got in Minneapolis recently while breaking trail for a sleigh ride route. The team crashed through ice while crossing a lake. Frank Langford, the owner, vainly tries to help Maud climb out. Nine firemen later got one horse out and then used it to pull out the second. Langford, who operates a sleigh ride service, escaped a dunking. The sleigh remained on the ice. Both horses were munching oats later in the day in the warmth of their stable after a good rub down.



"JOHNNY, DON'T SLAM THAT DOOR!" is an irate phrase that may soon disappear from the vocabulary of Canadian parents because the non-slamming door is with us. Modern home builders have discovered a new space-saver which can be used in every room of the house. It's a door which opens and closes like an accordion, instead of swinging into a room. Every hinged door needs about eight square feet of floor space to open—a big consideration when arranging furniture in today's small houses and compact apartments. An accordion-type steel frame is covered with a plastic-coated fabric ("Fibrilite") which withstands a lifetime of flexing and can be kept clean with soap and water. Colors harmonize with decorating schemes. The new folding doors can be installed in any doorway and cost approximately the same as an ordinary wooden door.



VENEZUELAN EXILES—Recently expelled from Venezuela by the junta, Mrs. Deborah Gabaldon talks in Havana with former Venezuelan President Romula Betancourt, now living in exile in Cuba. Mrs. Gabaldon, a professor of social sciences at the University of Caracas, declared she was jailed for six weeks until put on a plane for Costa Rica. She claims there are some 600 students in jail in Venezuela, and a total of 6,000 political prisoners, none of whom have ever been brought before a court. Mrs. Gabaldon hopes soon to join her husband, a student in Boston. —Central Press Canadian.



CLAIMS DISCOVERY OF CANCER CURE—Dr. Calar Jolles Fonti, 55, of Rome, Italy, announces that she has "isolated ultrafiltrable cancer virus" and has discovered a specific cancer test similar to the Wasserman blood test. Dr. Fonti said she had produced and cured cancer on her own body. The discoveries, according to the doctor, followed 23 years of experiments. —Central Press Canadian.



SEEK ARMY NURSE—Police fear that pretty army nurse, Lieut. Louise Sansom of Stanley, N.B., missing since Dec. 24, has met with foul play. She was last seen leaving Kingston Military hospital, where she was stationed, to catch a train for Sherbrooke, Que. The attractive nurse is a niece of Lieut.-Gen. E. W. Sansom. —Central Press Canadian.



RELEASED AIRMAN TELLS HIS STORY—Capt. John J. Swift, copilot of the U.S. air force plane forced to land in Hungary, shows Washington newsmen an emergency radio transmitter of the type carried on his cargo ship. Capt. Swift, who flew to the U.S. after his release by Hungary, emphasized that there was no "top secret" radar or radio equipment on the plane which was seized by the Hungarians. Swift is one of the four U.S. airmen who were "ransomed" out of a Red Hungary prison on payment of \$120,000 by the U.S. government. —Central Press Canadian.

DETERMINED SCOTSMAN

Lorne Campbell, reeve of the rural municipality of Millington, Sask., has wound up his 1951 harvesting operations. Mr. Campbell, who last July purchased 90 acres of spring rye at Nokomis, Sask., vowed that the job would be completed not later than January. It was finished on Jan. 7. Warm weather and lack of snow in the area assisted the operations.



NO STRIKE—FOR THE MOMENT—Following an address to 3,000 CIO steel workers at Atlantic City, N.J., by union president Philip Murray, the delegates complied with President Truman's appeal that they cancel plans for a walkout. These union delegates symbolize the decision to agree on cancellation of the strike by tearing a picket sign. —Central Press Canadian.



HAVE THEY SAME TAILOR, BARBER?—Physical and sartorial similarities may be noted in this photo of Britain's foreign secretary, Anthony Eden, (left), and Secretary of State Dean Acheson. They are pictured together in Washington as they arrived for a conference with Britain's Prime Minister Winston Churchill and U.S. President Truman. —Central Press Canadian.



DEFENCE MINISTER CLAXTON IN TOKYO—Brooke Claxton, (left), Canada's minister of defence, is shown chatting with Lieut.-Gen. O. P. Weyland, commander of the Far East Air Forces, at FEAF headquarters in Tokyo. Mr. Claxton attended a briefing on United Nations air operations during his visit. —Central Press Canadian.



EGYPTIAN "STRUGGLE FORMATIONS" LEARN STRONG ARM METHODS—Egyptian youths training at Fouda university, Cairo, as anti-British commandos, are seen practising "strong-arm" techniques. The G.O.C. British troops in Egypt, Lieut.-General Sir George Erskine, has issued a warning that if "commandos of young men" from Cairo attack his men, he would "crush them", adding that he had at his disposal powerful forces which had not yet been brought into action. The general was commenting on reports that Egyptian youths intended to leave Cairo to attack British troops in the Canal zone. —Central Press Canadian.

The Sports Clinic

(An official department of Sports College)
Conducted by Lloyd "Ace" Percival

Should Athletes Smoke?

There always has been some discussion on the important question: Should athletes smoke?

And now after extensive research, Sports College experts have released the results of their tests, and tests by physical medicine experts all over the world. The findings are as follows: Athletes should not smoke if they wish to reach top level physical efficiency. And it is especially harmful for a teen-age athlete to smoke.

General conditioning and heart reactions are adversely affected by smoking, the experts said. It was found that the smoking athlete throws an extra load on his heart.

What happens is that the toxic effects of the smoke demand greater effort to purify the blood supply and that makes it go faster, work harder, without leaving enough energy in reserve for the extra work during athletics. It also was found that smoking causes some blood vessels to shrink and that again forces the heart to work harder because it is forced to supply more pressure.

Out of the laboratory, on the field, it was discovered that smoking has a detrimental effect on conditioning. What happens is that the more a person smokes the harder he has to work to get into as good condition as the athlete who doesn't smoke. But because of the strain and extra work it throws on the heart there often is a tendency on the part of the athlete to take it easy because he feels tired.

The result of that is the athlete goes into competition without being in the peak of condition and he tires easily. And the minute he is tired and has slowed his reflexes he is inviting old man injury to step in and have a crack at him.

Sports College has advised all its coaches and athletic members that smoking, particularly for the teenager, can be a factor in athletic failure.

ure. It has recommended that all competitors stop smoking or never start and it has suggested to coaches that they begin and enforce strictly a no smoking rule.

The smoking question primarily is not one of aiding championship performances. The important reason why Sports College is against it is because there will be fewer injuries and higher standards when athletes are at the peak of condition.

Every coach will realize that the injury problem, both for the sake of the team and the individual, is a serious one and that anything which will help its elimination should be stressed.

Here is another thought: When Sports College made its Olympic Study in 1948 it was found that not one single Olympic champion in any sport was a smoker. There were plenty of smokers, however, in the 'also rans'.

One of the most effective yardsticks in measuring the performances of smokers and non-smokers is the sprint repetition tests conducted by the Sports College track and field Testing Group. The athletes sprint 25 yards, walk back fast and repeat the sprint. Each dash is timed.

The first time there usually is no difference between the smoker and the non-smoker. But the second dash shows a small decline in efficiency on the part of the smoker. By the time the test has been repeated four or five times he begins to drop right out of the picture. No matter how much determination he has he just can't do as well. This means that the harder the game he plays the worse his condition will become as he gets tired.

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Some 5,200 troops participated in "Operation Sweetbriar", joint United States-Canadian army manoeuvres in Canada in 1950. 2969

World Happenings Briefly Told

Overworked priests dealt with a record number of weddings the last Sunday in 1951—in Cyprus, where leap-year weddings are considered unlucky.

A record 108 oil and natural gas discoveries were made in western Canada in 1951, industry sources reported. Forty were oil strikes and 68 gas discoveries in new areas.

Canadians bought nearly \$2,000,000,000 of life insurance in 1951, J. K. Macdonald, president of the Canadian Life Insurance Officers association, said in a year-end statement.

The Warnow dockyards at Warnemünde on the East German Baltic sea coast began construction of East Germany's largest postwar vessel, a 9,500-ton cargo ship.

Eleven countries, including Canada, will urge in the United Nations political committee a plan to use regional forces such as the Atlantic Pact armies to enforce peace.

The New Zealand government will establish a liaison mission as a preliminary step toward establishing diplomatic relations with Japan after the peace treaty is ratified.

In the first eight months of this year British Columbia produced 2,366,494,000 feet board measure of sawn lumber, seventeen million feet more than was produced in all the other provinces combined.

The federal government will pay half the cost of compensation which any province may provide for civil defence workers injured during duty or training, the health department announced.

Immigration May Ease Manitoba Nurse Shortage

WINNIPEG.—Manitoba's critical shortage of nurses may be eased by immigration from Britain and continental Europe, Hon. Ivan Schultz, minister of health, said.

Mr. Schultz, just returned from a three-month visit to Great Britain and the continent, noted some British nurses had already arrived in Manitoba. He believed more graduate nurses might be obtained from England and Scotland as well as practical nurses from other European countries.

Outlook for securing doctors was not quite so favorable.

Mr. Schultz said he was confident Manitoba would have no trouble finding medical men in Britain willing to emigrate here. However, further investigation will have to be made to see if these doctors would qualify to practice here under the Manitoba Medical association's regulation.

Many naturalists regard crows as being the most intelligent of birds.

Weekly Tip

A TIGHT CORK

An obstinate cork can be easily removed by first dipping a piece of woolen cloth into boiling water and wrapping tightly around the neck of the bottle. In a few minutes the cork can be removed.

Hired Help On Farms May Ask Hourly Wage

TORONTO.—The old-fashioned hired man who lived, ate and worked with the farm family may be replaced by an hourly-rated employee with time-and-a-half for overtime — if farmers take the advice of W.

(Taffy) Davidson, chief employment officer of the National Employment Service.

Mr. Davidson told the 16th annual convention of the Ontario Federation of Agriculture that farm workers in Britain have reached this stage and have no desire to come to Canada. Immigrant laborers leave Canadian farms for the city as soon as their year is up, he said.

THIS CURIOUS WORLD By WILLIAM FERGUSON

Quoting Odds

A CREDITOR CAN CARRY A MAN THAT HE CAN'T EVEN LIFT," Says H. D. BOOTH, San Francisco, California.



SIR WALTER SCOTT

SWAMPED UNDER A DEBT OF \$600,000 AT THE AGE OF 55, SWORE TO PAY OFF EVERY CENT, ALTHOUGH BROKEN IN HEALTH. AT HIS DEATH JUST SIX YEARS LATER, NOT ONE PENNY OF DEBT REMAINED.



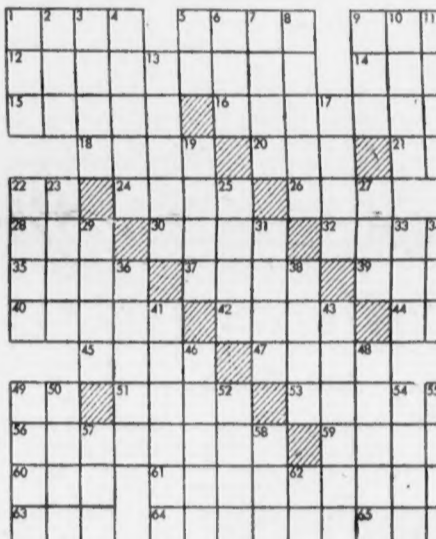
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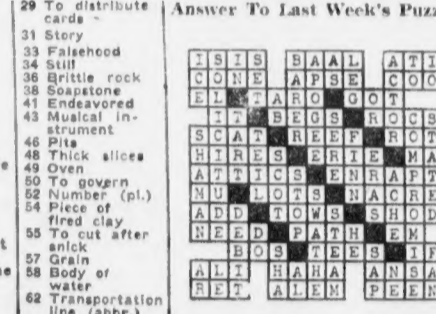
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- 3 Small rug
- 12 Deviation
- 14 Anger
- 15 Play
- 16 Hung
- 18 Ship's journal (pl.)
- 20 Meadow
- 21 While
- 22 Therefore
- 24 Sines
- 26 Basin
- 28 Finish
- 30 The dog star
- 32 Properly
- 35 Cards
- 37 Egyptian goddess personifying truth
- 39 Bond
- 40 Spanish coin (pl.)
- 42 European
- 44 French for 'and'
- 45 Narrow board
- 47 Name in Greece
- 49 Conjunction
- 51 Gait
- 53 Young horses
- 58 Hairs
- 59 Had reclined
- 60 Cunning
- 61 Respected
- 62 Golf mound
- 64 Attempt
- 65 To observe

VERTICAL

- 1 To sum up
- 2 Through
- 3 Gem
- 4 Friend of Pythias
- 5 By
- 6 Embryo flower
- 7 Mountain range
- 8 Article of faith
- 9 Wire measure
- 10 Space
- 11 Spreads for drying
- 13 Rants
- 17 A trinket
- 19 Part of plant
- 22 To scorch
- 23 A single time
- 25 Mineral springs (pl.)
- 27 Conjunction



Answer To Last Week's Puzzle



VIRGIL



PRISCILLA'S POP—And That Proves It



—By Al Vermeer

Saskatchewan Need Not Fear Another Depression

Dr. John Mitchell of University of Saskatchewan Says "We Have Seen The Worst That Weather Can Bring Us"

SASKATOON. — Dr. John Mitchell, head of the soils department of the University of Saskatchewan, said that Saskatchewan need not fear another depression of the kind which struck the province in the 1930's.

Dr. Mitchell spoke at the farm week convention here.

He said "we have seen the worst that weather can bring us, but we have also seen the best. We have worked great improvements in conserving moisture through good summerfallow practices and in conserving soil, we have learned a lot about farming. Nothing should dismay us."

Dr. Mitchell said that in the last 50 years Saskatchewan had increased

its acreage of cultivated land from 1,122,600 acres to 35,590,200 acres. He estimated that by the use of more efficient methods of farming the productivity of present cultivated land could be increased by 50 per cent.

He named several other yardsticks of the great advances made in Saskatchewan during the first half of the century and pointed out that only in population had the province gone backwards.

Other factors in the Saskatchewan economy which would bring greater prosperity were the province's mineral resources, its great areas of forest and pasture land, its tourist attractions and the land itself.

Dr. Mitchell said "the land is going to be more and more important as time goes on, because the population of the world is going up. We will never be poor as long as we have that land."

Billions Spent Yearly On Car "Comforts"

NEW YORK. — Americans spend about \$2,000,000,000 a year to give their cars all the comforts of home, except perhaps indoor plumbing, says a noted travel authority, Carol Lane.

Miss Lane covers 50,000 miles each year as women's travel director of Shell Oil, testing devices that add to the family's driving enjoyment.

"Home sweet home is a mobile motto today," she said. "Complete car kitchens, from refrigerator to collapsible cutlery, can be nestled in the trunk. Cribs that inflate and 'bedrooms' that rest on the car roof provide sleeping quarters for mom, pop and baby."

Miss Lane reported that the average new car owner pays about \$230 on a combination of such standard motoring comforts as radio, heater, seat-covers, automatic window-washer and extra mirrors. Additional investments for his roaming home average between \$50 and \$100 on gadgets varying from a plug-in baby bottle warmer or electric razor to a heated steering wheel or travelling TV set.

Patterns

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Served with roast duck, pork or ham these fluted baked oranges will highlight any meal. The spicy orange flavor goes well with the rather rich taste of duck.

Baked Spiced Oranges

Selected medium-sized oranges and cut in halves, then loosen the sections in each half with sharp knife, or scissors. Top each with mixture of 1 tsp.

brown sugar, ¼ tsp. butter, ¼ tsp. nutmeg and cinnamon. Bake in 250 degrees F. oven for 45 minutes, or until the topping has penetrated through the fruit.

National League

Hockey Notes

Seven Lefties Among Top 12

With approximately 65 per cent. of the players in the National Hockey League shooting the puck from the left side, it is quite remarkable that five of the top dozen point-getters at the turn of the year propelled the puck into the net from the right side. The four leading point-collectors on January 2 were Elmer Lach, Maurice Richard, Sid Smith and Don Raleigh and all four fired the puck from the left side. The next five rungs in the scoring ladder were occupied by players who shot the puck from the right side. Ted Kennedy, Gordie Howe, Bill Mosienko, Johnny Peirson and Tod Sloan composed this quintet. Ted Lindsay, Sid Abel and Jimmy McFadden rounded out the dozen leading scorers and these last three were all port-side shots.

Gordie Howe is classed as a right-hand shot and plays right wing but he is also able to propel the rubber from the left side as well. He is one of the few players in hockey who has accomplished this unusual feat.

All-Even At Start of The New Year

Hockey's two greatest goal scorers, Montreal's Maurice Richard and Detroit's Gordie Howe, entered the New Year with the same number of goals scored this season. Each player had tallied 19 times on January first. Howe scored one winning goal and one tying marker in his 19-goal output. Richard scored one winner among his 19.

Rangers Acquire Tall Forward

New York Rangers acquired one of the tallest players in hockey when they obtained Jack Stoddard from Providence Reds. Stoddard stands six-three. He was leading the American Hockey League in scoring when he left to join the Rangers. He had 20 goals and 28 assists for 48 points in 35 games with the Reds. The 25-year-old right winger is expected to add plenty of scoring punch to the Rangers attack. Stoddard came to the Rangers in a player deal that saw Pat Egan, Jean Paul Denis and Zello Toppazzini leave the New York organization and come to the Reds. Stoddard has been nicknamed "The Octopus" due to his extra long arms. Not being superstitious, Stoddard will wear sweater number 13 while playing with the Blue Shirts from New York.

The first part of the new world mainland sighted by Christopher Columbus was the coast of what is now Venezuela, on his third voyage in 1498.

Archaeologist Says Indian From Asia

WINNIPEG. — Dr. R. S. McNeish, assistant dominion archaeologist, says that it can now be clearly established that the American Indian originated from the Mongoloid stock of Asia.

He made the remark in a recorded address delivered to a meeting of the Natural History society of Manitoba.

He said the remains of some 60 individuals found near Peiping, China, included six almost-perfect skeletons. These persons are believed to have existed during the last part of the ice age—earlier than any evidence shows the American Indian existed.

Characteristics of the six are almost identical to some American Indians, Eskimos and remains found in Texas, New Mexico and Arizona.

Among the similarities are high and wide cheek bones; shovel-shaped incisor teeth, not found in European types; the chin-line, not concave between chin and mouth as in European racial types; the blood types are almost identical; and the hair of both the American Indian and the Mongoloid was straight; black and round.

Pottery is also the same as that found in North America and the Mongoloid's myths are the same as those of North American Indians.

Manitoba Butter Production Down

OTTAWA.—Manitoba's production of creamery butter was down one per cent. in 1951 from 1950, according to dominion bureau of statistics figures released.

Production for 1951 totalled 22,231,000 pounds, which was 99 per cent. of the 1950 figure of 22,514,000 pounds. The province was fifth in the production of creamery butter, after Quebec, Ontario, Alberta and Saskatchewan.

Total Canadian production in 1951 was 99 per cent. of 1950 production, down to 258,097,000 from 261,606,000.

SMILE OF THE WEEK

Mrs. Brown: "For months I couldn't discover where my husband spent his evenings."

Mrs. Smith: "How did you find out?"

"Well, one evening I went home and there he was."

The Andean condor or vulture may have a wingspread of 10½ feet.

ODDITIES

In The News

A cabbie showed police his cigarette lighter, fused with a .38 bullet, and said it had cost him \$25, but saved his life. Joseph Falkowich of San Francisco, told police a holdup man robbed him of \$25 after firing at him at a range of only 18 inches. The bullet crashed into the lighter in Falkowich's pocket and stunned him.

When a rabbit, chased by a dog, ran past her feet as she was holding out her hand for the wedding ring to be placed on her finger at the village church near Dartmouth, England, Barbara Skinner, 22, just clung to the arm of bridegroom William Cleave and when the dog had caught and killed the rabbit the ceremony went on.

Anthony J. Crescenzo, 32, of Worcester, Mass., optical worker, was granted a divorce after testifying that when he objected to sharing his bed with his wife's dog, she told him to bunk in the kennel.

An acute sense of smell left John Virgil Tarter, 71, a retired cabinet-maker of Pasadena, Calif., without a wife. Mrs. Sylvia A. Tarter won a divorce because of her hubby's oversensitive sniffer. She said he used a chemical preparation and an electric fan to remove the smell of bacon and eggs; and opened windows if someone lighted a cigarette. She said it was too much when he began to burn incense every time a new-comer came into the house.

A London society presented an aquarium to the children's ward of a hospital. The society said that watching fish will not only calm the children, but help the doctors to relax.

Burglars at Little Rock, Ark., apparently planning to put the squeeze on somebody, stole eight girdles from a clothing store.

Helpful Hints

If aluminum ware is discolored in the inside, fill with a cold weak solution of vinegar and water (1 tablespoonful to a quart) bring slowly to a boil, and let boil for five minutes. Polish inside with the finest-grade steel wool, and outside with sifted whiting applied with a damp piece of cloth, and occasionally with the steel wool.

The legs of heavy furniture often leave a flattened place on the nap of the rug. To remedy this dampen a chamois, fold several times, and place it over the mark. Leave on for several hours, then remove the chamois, and the mark will have disappeared.

To lengthen the life of men's socks and children's stockings, reinforce them at heels and toes with fine darning cotton or nylon when new. Don't make darns too thick for comfort.

Never Too Old

WINNIPEG.—Seems they're never too old to get into this Leap Year business.

Mary Jackson Taylor, 73, and Henry Charles Reynolds, 74, were married here recently. The blushing bride timidly admitted that she had "popped the question."

Both have been married before.

ANSWERS TO QUICK QUIZ

ANSWERS: 5. The U.S.A.; news-print and pulp wood. 3. \$725 million. 1. Provincial law. 4. Prince Rupert, B.C., and Windsor, Ont. 2. Her son, Prince Charles.

(Material supplied by the Editors of Quick Canadian Facts, the handbook of facts about Canada.)

—By Chuck Thurston

Quick Canadian Quiz

1. In Canada are property and civil rights subject to federal or provincial law?
2. Who follows Princess Elizabeth in the line of succession to the throne?
3. From sales tax only will Ottawa collect this year \$50 million, \$350 million, \$725 million?
4. What are our most northerly and most southerly cities?
5. What country is our biggest export customer, and what is the leading export commodity sold to that customer?

Answers Found in Another Column

PEGGY



OUR COMPLETE SHORT STORY—

"INSPIRATION"

Jim's Wife Said, "How Dare You Tell Another Woman You Love Her, and Stand There and Grin About It."

By MAUDE NORMAN

MARY STARR finished putting the dishes away, took off her apron and went out to the porch where the bright tip of her husband's cigarette shined in the darkness.

"It gets dark earlier now, doesn't it," she remarked, without response. She tried again. "Anything interesting happen today?"

James threw his cigarette over the railing. "Oh, sure, I had a very interesting day," he mocked. "As usual I took the seven-thirty-five to town, I sold, or tried to sell suits. I took the six-thirty home as I have for the last six years. I walked down the same street, past houses so much alike I have to count them to be sure I turn in the right one. I ate hash and bread pudding. Tomorrow night it will be stew or beans. Oh, yes, I had a very interesting day."

Mary listened in silence. Somewhere along the way they had lost the star that makes labor for loved ones a joy. But where?

"Perhaps if you started writing again you might sell something," she ventured.

"Write," he snorted. "I'm so tired at night I don't have an idea in my head. I do the same thing day in and day out, world without end, amen, and you think I can write. Write about what?"

He went into the house, slamming the door.

Tears stole down Mary's cheeks.

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She had failed. All her high hopes of being an inspiration to a promising young author were gone. Two babies demanded a lot of care. James had to do work he despised to provide for them.

"Perhaps he does still love me," she thought. "But he is used to me. He needs something exciting to happen. Something to stir him up. He needs romance and I'm about as romantic as an old shoe. I can't give him romance—or can I?"

James came to the door. "Come on in," he said gruffly. "I'm sorry for what I said. It's hard on you, too, having a failure for a husband."

The next morning Mary raced through her work, washed and dressed the baby, settled three-year-old Shirley in the sand-box to play, then got out the typewriter.

Two days later James received a letter, a delicately scented missive that Mary handed to him without a word.

"Dear Mr. Starr," the letter began. "About seven years ago I was confronted with a serious problem that a story of yours, 'Stella's Solution', helped me to solve. I should have written and thanked you then, only that I knew how men in your position are deluged with letters. I suppose you wonder why I am writing now, but in looking over some old magazines I found a poem of yours, entitled 'Spring'. It made such an impression on me that I am obeying an impulse. With your insight and understanding you must have helped hundreds as you have helped me. Thank you for myself and for them. Sincerely, Justine Owen."

James did not show the letter to Mary and she asked no questions. No more letters came to the house, although she knew he had answered. He began writing every evening, re-writing previous efforts. Mary rejoiced at the change in him. Until one day, going through the pockets of a suit she was sending to the cleaners, she found a note.

"Darling! There, I have said it! I love you. Does that seem strange? But why should it? Your letters, carefully worded as they are, tell me you love me too. Name a place where I can meet you. Your post office address makes you seem so far away. You mentioned responsibilities. In all this world there are only two things that matter. You, and the fact that I will love you forever. You are my inspiration. Hopefully, James."

James found Mary unusually silent that evening. Although he tried to interest her in the day's happenings, she busied herself feeding the children and barely answered him. After the children were in bed, he waylaid her.

"I sold another story," he said. "Looks like I can write after all."

"That's nice," she answered briefly. "Aren't you glad?"

Mary handed him the note. "I wasn't snooping," she said. "I found this when I sent your suit out."

James took the note. "I was hoping you would find it pretty soon," he grinned.

"How dare you tell another woman you love her, and stand there and grin about it!" She burst into tears.

"I meant every word I wrote," he kissed her gently. "You really are my inspiration."

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In some European countries it was the custom to throw fruit instead of rice at weddings.

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HONORARY DEGREE — The university of Montreal will confer an honorary degree on Viscount Alexander of Tunis, Governor-General of Canada at the university on Feb. 25. Msgr. Olivier Maurault, rector, announced recently. Complete plans for the ceremony will be made public later.

Sask. Official Clarifies Hospital Services Plan

REGINA.—Dr. F. B. Roth, deputy minister of public health, clarified coverage of old-age pensioners under the Saskatchewan hospital services plan.

Dr. Roth said a person over 70 is eligible for hospital coverage at the expense of the province only if he was receiving a pension at the end of 1951 or if, in the future, he becomes eligible for the provincial supplementary pension.

He said Saskatchewan will not pay a pensioner's hospital tax if the person is in the 65-69 group or is over 70 and cannot qualify under a means test for a supplementary pension.

Two New Grades Of Potatoes Established

EDMONTON.—Two new grades of potato — "Canada One Small" and "Utility" — have been established in Alberta. Canada One Small will have a minimum diameter of 1½ inches and a maximum of 2¼ inches. Utility grade will allow use of potatoes of good quality which are not eligible for regular grades because of damage, size or deformity.

Four Black Bears In A Tree — Shot

Two loggers of Marlett, B.C., told the story of four black bears in a tree — a mother and her three cubs hibernating for the winter. Walter Schmidt and Henry Kraus didn't know the tree was inhabited until it had been felled and they started to saw it up. The mother bear appeared 75 feet from the butt. She retreated into the tree when the men attacked her with axes. Kraus shot her, and then killed two cubs. He thought that was the end of the hunt. But a third snarling cub crawled out of the tree. It, too, was shot.



MACDONALD'S Fine Cut

Makes a better cigarette

—By Les Carroll



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Pioneer Dish

CALGARY. — A dish that tickled the palates of pioneers is on the menu in Alberta hotels for a few weeks. Buffalo roasts, steaks and stews come from animals killed in the recent thinning-out of the buffalo herd at Elk Island National Park.

To Reduce Dental Decay

SASKATOON. — The Saskatoon City Health unanimously recommended fluorination of Saskatoon's water supply this year. Fluorination is considered by some dental experts as the best known means of reducing dental decay, particularly among children.

Troubled Conscience

WINNIPEG. — A man with a troubled conscience and a grim view of the future has sent the Canadian Pacific Railway \$100. Signing himself "Anonymous", he said the money is for some scrap copper and brass he took and sold many years ago. Reason for payment: "We are now in the last days of this world's history."

Dies From Fall From Crib

MEDICINE HAT. — Mr. and Mrs. William Turner awoke when they heard a thump on the floor. They got

up and found that their only son, 2½-year-old Clark Robert, had broken his neck in a fall from his crib in the same room. The child was dead.

Delayed Medal

CRANBROOK, B.C. — Thirty years after being pensioned for the second time from the British army, J. P. Fraser has received the Meritorious Service Medal. He enlisted in 1890, was first pensioned in 1911 and re-joined for the First World War, coming to Canada in 1921.

Missed 5,303-Foot Putt

EDMONTON. — The Edmonton Golf and Country club has missed a 5,303-foot putt. A wildcat oil well drilled a half mile from the clubhouse on an unused nine-hole course has been abandoned. Drillers explored several oil strata. Showings of oil were found but none were of commercial value.

Hospital Site Abandoned

LETHBRIDGE, Alta. — The site chosen for Lethbridge's new \$2,000,000 Galt Hospital has been abandoned. A committee of three engineers condemned it as unsafe because of extensive coal mine workings underneath. The site was directly east of the present hospital.

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endanger life by spreading dis-

The losses resulting from the destruction of the other commodities by rats and the annoyance which their presence causes are in themselves of sufficient reason why we should do everything possible to prevent them from becoming established in Alberta. For health reasons it is essential that they be kept out. Continued and persistent watchfulness is necessary for any sign of rat life in Alta.

Rats are coming into Alberta. Dead and alive they are being found at widely scattered points

Rats move anywhere and everywhere at any time of the year. The utmost vigilance is re-

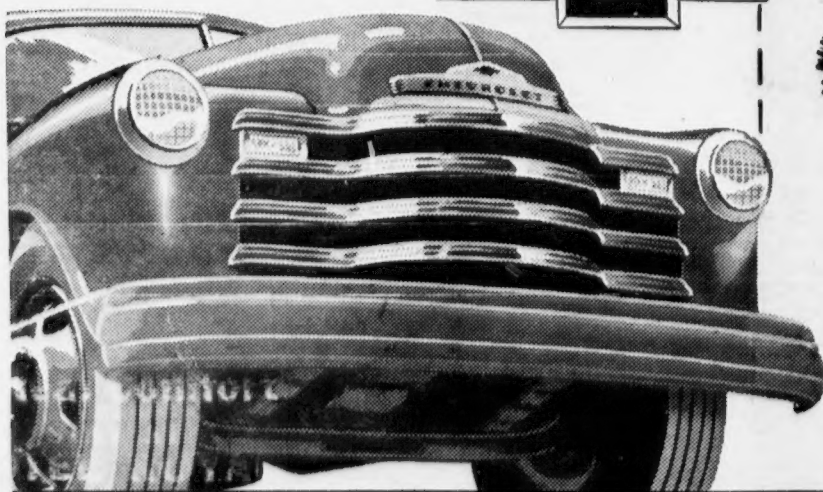
The Alberta Department of Agriculture, co-operating with municipal pest control officers, is prepared to launch a rigorous extermination campaign in any area in Alberta where rats appear. Establishment of colonies must be prevented at all costs, says Mr. Lobay.

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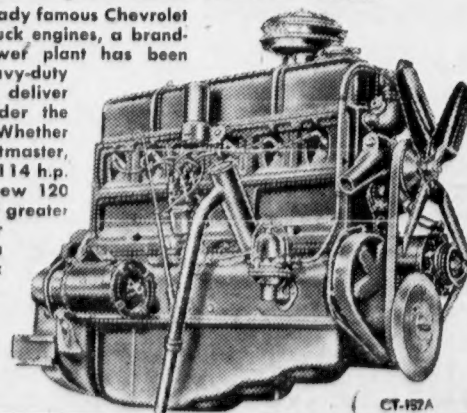
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